



AN ORDINANCE

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Councilman C. T. ~~Martin~~

An Ordinance to change the name of **Woodstock Drive** in the Adamsville Community to **Woumm Drive, NW**, in honor of Lt. Commander **Ellis** Woumm; to provide for an effective date: to repeal conflicting ordinances: and for other purposes

WHEREAS, Lt. Commander Ellis Woumm grew **up** in the Adamsville community in the City of Atlanta: and

WHEREAS, Lt. Woumm attended elementary and high school in Atlanta, graduating in 1972 from Southwest High School: and

WHEREAS, he was appointed to the United States Naval Academy by then-Senator Fletcher Thompson: and

WHEREAS, he was one of the first two blacks from Atlanta, and one of the only three blacks ever to be admitted to the Naval Academy from the State of Georgia: and

WHEREAS, Lt. Woumm was active in the Boy Scouts organization and **was** recognized for his leadership potential: and

WHEREAS, he distinguished himself at the Academy and graduated in 1976, and received his Navy wings in 1978;

WHEREAS, after twenty (20) years of service, Lt. Woumm retired from the Navy as a naval aviator in 1997 as a Lt. Commander; and

WHEREAS, his Navy awards include the Navy **Unit** Commendation, the Meritorious Unit Commendation and the National Defense Medal; and

WHEREAS, after a courageous battle with cancer, Lt. Woumm died October 21, 1998; and

WHEREAS, while he soared with the birds, he was always completely grounded: and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Atlanta, generally, and the residents of the Adamsville community, particularly, would like to honor him **by** naming a street in his honor.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA,  
GEORGIA as follows:

**Section 1:** That Woodstock Drive, NW located in the Adamsville community of the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) Council district be renamed Ellis Woumm Drive.

**Section 2:** That the Department of Public Works install the necessary signage at this location.

**Section 3:** That said name change be effective November 1, 1999.

**Section 4:** That all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.